



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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At its meeting held December 4, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“On October 20, 2007, wildfires of historical proportions began burning across Southern California. In Los Angeles County alone, a total of 104,186 acres burned. This represents over 20% of the total 517,742 acres that burned in California. The fires that affected County areas included, the Canyon Fire in the Malibu area, the Meadow Ridge Fire in Santa Clarita, the Buckweed Fire in Agua Dulce/Canyon Country, the Magic Fire in Stevenson Ranch and the Ranch Fire near Castaic in the Angeles National Forest.

“On October 21, 2007, the Governor declared a State of Emergency in California. As a result, the State Employment Development Department (EDD) made available \$50 million of Federal National Emergency Grant (NEG) funding for California. Los Angeles County received approval from the State for NEG funds in the amount \$3.34 million and will have the opportunity to access up to \$10 million for the life of this grant. Additionally, \$15,000 in Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) program funding has been allocated to the County that specifically targets Native American Indian families impacted by the wildfires.

“These funds, distributed through the Workforce Investment Board, will create up to 580 temporary jobs for fire disaster recovery and prevention. Jobs will be targeted at eligible temporary workers who have been dislocated as a result of the fires, and unemployed workers with no income support, or are long-term unemployed. Additionally, for the CSBG Program, the funds will provide financial assistance for emergency disaster relief services for approximately 15 families affected by the Los Angeles County wildfires.”

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Cynthia Banks, Director of Community and Senior Services addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Director of Community and Senior Services and the Los Angeles County Local Workforce Investment Board, were instructed to collaborate and implement a plan for services with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the California Office of Emergency Services, County Departments of Public Works and Parks and Recreation, affected local municipalities, the County-contracted service providers and the City of Los Angeles Local Workforce Investment Area; and the Board took the following related actions:

1. Accepted \$3.34 million in first-phase Workforce Federal National Emergency Grant (NEG) funding from the State Employment Development Department (EDD) as of November 1, 2007;
2. Accepted \$15,000 for the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) program from the State Department of Community Services and Development as of October 26, 2007;
3. Accepted second phased NEG funding of up to \$6.66 million from the State EDD;
4. Approved the allocation of funds in the amount up to \$3.34 million to previously funded County-contracted service providers and \$15,000 to CSBG providers; and
5. Authorized the Director of Community and Senior Services to enter into contracts effective with the acceptance of funding with the appropriate County-contracted service providers, its subcontractors and CSBG providers, and to augment contractors' allocations as additional State NEG and CSBG funding becomes available.

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Chief Executive Officer  
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Director of Community and Senior Services  
Director of Public Works  
Director of Parks and Recreation

Letter sent to:

Chair, Los Angeles County Local Workforce  
Investment Board